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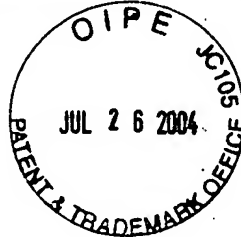


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 8 - 11h, 13 - 15b, 16, 18-27.
 - The drawings must be made on paper that has a white background (see 37 CFR 1.84 (e)). For example, drawings on graph paper, lined paper, or paper that has a non-white background are not acceptable. See Figure(s) 29.

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 14, 2004, wherein the Examiner has requested more formal drawings for the subject application, formal drawings are enclosed herewith.

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